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Rule 12g3·2(b) Exemption of Sumitomo Metal Industries, Ltd.

File No. 82-3507

Dear sirs,

In connection with Sumitomo Metal Industries, Ltd.'s exemption, pursuant to Rule 12g3-2(b), from the registration and reporting requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, and in compliance with its ongoing requirements under Rule 12g3-2(b)(1)(iii), enclosed please find the following information:

1. Press Release dated February 25, 2005, (Taking office of President)

Thank you very much for your assistance.

Very truly yours,

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Sumitomo Metal Industries, Ltd.

cc: The Bank of New York

## Taking office of President

I . The Chairman assumption of office (on the date of the general meeting of stockholders to be held at the end of June, 2005)

## Chairman

Hiroshi Shimozuma (Imcubent President)

II. The President assumption of office (on the date of the general meeting of stockholders to be held at the end of June, 2005)

## President

Hiroshi Tomono (An i

(An incumbent Senior Vice President who is to assume an Executive Vice President on April 1, 2005)